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Office Action Summary

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Period for Reply

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Status

- 1) ☐ Responsive to communication(s) filed on ____.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-15, 17, 18 and 21-29 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) 11, 14, 15, 17, 18, 21-23, 26 and 29 is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☒ Claim(s) ____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-10, 12, 13, 24, 25, 27 and 28 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) ____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) ____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 26 June 2003 is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☒ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. ____.
 - ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date ____.
- ☒ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date 112704.
- ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- ☐ Other: ____.

DETAILED ACTION

Election/Restrictions

1. Claims 11 (embodiment wherein the second end is configured for supporting a driving means, e.g., (46) Fig. 2); 14, 15 (i.e., (61) (72) embodiment of Fig. 2); 17 (Fig. 3B); 18 (Fig. 3A), 21-23, 26 (Fig. 2); and 29 (Fig. 3D) are withdrawn from further consideration pursuant to 37 CFR 1.142(b) as being drawn to a nonelected species, there being no allowable generic or linking claim. Election was made **without** traverse in the reply filed on 08/30/04 and subsequent phone interview on 11/24/04, in which species F, Fig. 3C and claims readable on this species has been elected.

Drawings

2. The drawings are objected to under 37 CFR 1.83(a). The drawings must show every feature of the invention specified in the claims. Therefore, the tool bit storing cavity (claims 5), electrically insulated cavities; and "pick up element" must be shown or the feature(s) canceled from the claim(s). No new matter should be entered.
3. The drawings are objected to because in Fig. 2, the lead line of reference character (41), first end of the telescopic member seems to point to and end of the handle.

Corrected drawing sheets in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121(d) are required in reply to the Office action to avoid abandonment of the application. Any amended replacement drawing sheet should include all of the figures appearing on the immediate prior version of the sheet, even if only one figure is being amended. The figure or figure number of an amended drawing should not be labeled as "amended." If a drawing figure is to be canceled, the appropriate figure must be removed from the replacement sheet, and where necessary, the remaining figures must be renumbered and appropriate changes made to the brief description of the several views of the drawings for consistency. Additional replacement sheets may be necessary to show the

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renumbering of the remaining figures. The replacement sheet(s) should be labeled "Replacement Sheet" in the page header (as per 37 CFR 1.84(c)) so as not to obstruct any portion of the drawing figures. If the changes are not accepted by the examiner, the applicant will be notified and informed of any required corrective action in the next Office action. The objection to the drawings will not be held in abeyance.

Specification

4. The disclosure is objected to because of the following informalities: page 8, line 17, reference character (115) should be changed to, --116--; page 9, line 5, "tap" appears to indicate, --cap--.

Appropriate correction is required.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

5. The following is a quotation of the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112:

The specification shall contain a written description of the invention, and of the manner and process of making and using it, in such full, clear, concise, and exact terms as to enable any person skilled in the art to which it pertains, or with which it is most nearly connected, to make and use the same and shall set forth the best mode contemplated by the inventor of carrying out his invention.

6. Claims 5, 6 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, as containing subject matter which was not described in the specification in such a way as to enable one skilled in the art to which it pertains, or with which it is most nearly connected, to make and/or use the invention. Tool bit storing cavities within the handle, lacks proper support in the specification as originally filed. The reference to another US Application, page 7, lines 25-35, incorporated in the specification does not provide sufficient disclosure for enablement of telescopic member embedded in a handle, which further comprises bit storage cavities.

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Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

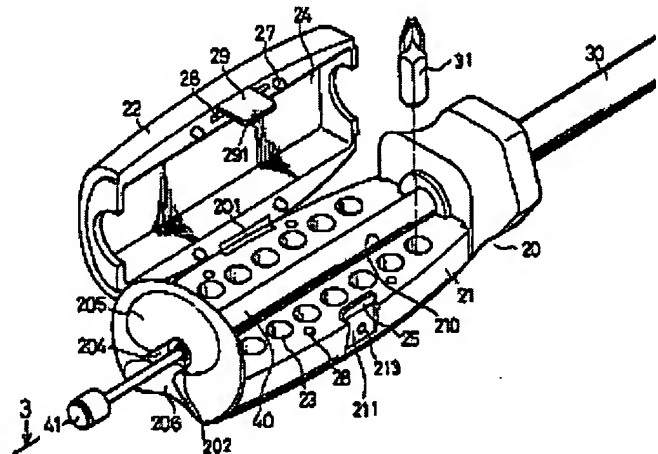
7. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

8. Claims 1, 2, 4, 5, 7, 10, 12, 13, 24 and 28 (as best understood) are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being clearly anticipated by Huang, US Patent No. 5,896,606.

Huang discloses all the limitations of claim 1, i.e. a combination driving and pick-up tool with a handle (20) a driving implement (21) and (30) and a pick-up implement (30) and (40) and means for facilitating the deployment comprising a cap (41)



magnetically attached to the member and in slidable communication with a periphery of the handle end.

Regarding claims 2, 4, 5, 7, 10, 12, 13, 24 and 28, Huang meet the limitations as best understood, e.g., cavities (23).

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

9. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

10. Claim 3 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Huang.

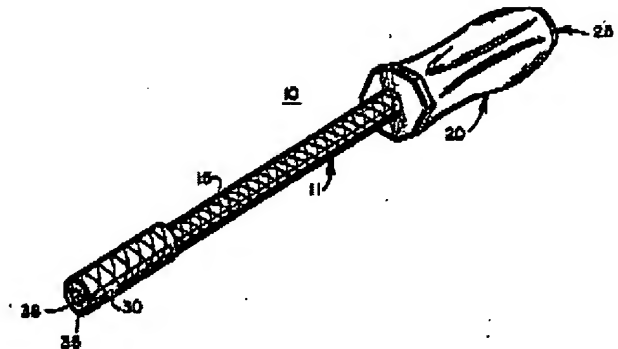
Huang discloses all the limitations of claim 3, except for a power driven tool. However, modifying manually driven screwdrivers to make the tool power driven is considered to be the knowledge of one of ordinary skill in the art, so it may be driven automatically, and since it has been held that broadly providing a mechanical or automatic means to replace manual activity which has accomplished the same result involves only routine skill in the art. *In re Venner*, 120 USPQ 192.

11. Claims 8 and 27 (as best understood) is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Huang.

Huang discloses all the limitations of claim 7, except for non-circular cross-section.

It would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to use non-circular tubes for the pick-up tool, e.g., for static reasons, which would

involve only routine skill in the art, since a telescoping "pick-up" tool would function just as well with circular or non-circular cross-section and since applicant has not disclosed that the specific cross section (for a non driving pick up member) solves any stated problem or is for any particular purpose and it appears that the invention would perform equally well with circular cross section.



12. Claims 6 and 8 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Huang in view of Zurbuchen, US Patent No. 5,259,277.

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Huang discloses all the limitations of claim 6 and 8, except for an electrically insulated tubes and/or cavities. Zurbuchen teaches an electrically insulated composite hand tool. It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art, at the time the invention was made, to modify the tool of Huang with electrical insulation means as taught by Zurbuchen to adapt the tool so that it can be safely used in applications where it may come in contact with sources of electric power.

Conclusion

13. Prior art made of record and not relied upon are considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure. Pawlak, Shea, and Gentry are cited to show related inventions.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Hadi Shakeri whose telephone number is (571) 272-4495. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Thursday.

The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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